

## BOARD NAMED TO PERPETRATE SAFETY MOVE

**A. E. Perry Heads Chamber of Commerce Permanent Committee.**

## SCHOOLS INITIATE COURSE IN CAUTION

**Meeting Thursday Will Lay Plans for Furthering Efforts.**

Additional momentum was given to the movement to eliminate avoidable accidents on the city's streets yesterday when William F. Ham, chairman of the public safety committee of the Washington Chamber of Commerce, announced the appointment of a committee on permanent organization and precaution.

Further evidence that the city is awakened to the unnecessary dangers in the streets which may be removed permanently through concerted action and cooperation was given by the principals of the principals of the schools in the Third division, at which it was decided to adopt a policy which would allow the older children to participate in the fullest extent in educating the younger children in precautionary measures.

The committee is named: Chairman, A. E. Perry, Chamber of Commerce; C. A. Baker, Dr. Frank W. Ballou, Charles J. Colburn, J. H. Hanna, H. M. Keyser, Ralph W. Lee, W. Pierce Raynor, Odell S. Smith and Francis R. Weller.

A further meeting of the joint conference of civic and commercial organizations will be held in the board room of the District Building Thursday at 4 p. m. at which time Fred M. Roseland, of Chicago, connected with the National Safety Council, will address the meeting, explaining the purposes and methods adopted by the council.

This meeting, it is announced, will not be limited to representatives of the organizations attending the previous meetings, but will be open to the representatives of other organizations interested in the movement.

**Plan to Reduce Accidents.**

After a full discussion of the various plans calculated to reduce the number of accidents on the streets submitted by the principals of the schools in the Third division, the following program was adopted yesterday and, according to a letter sent to Superintendent Ballou, will be inaugurated immediately.

In each building it is planned that a committee of teachers be appointed to work constantly for "no accidents."

Speakers representing the Safety First Association and the police department will be urged to address the pupils.

Pupils of the upper grades who show ability as speakers will carry the message of safety to the children in the lower grades and the older children will be asked to serve as guardians of the smaller children at points of danger within the vicinity of the school; as, for instance, where alleyways from garages open upon the sidewalks.

**Will Write Circulars.**

Appropriate circulars will be written by the pupils and sent to the parents, explaining their co-operation and slogans in the form of posters, prepared in connection with the drawing classes in the schools, will sound warnings to the pupils.

Compositions on subjects pertaining to safety will be read in the upper grades, and the danger of roller skating and bicycle riding especially in the early morning and late afternoon, will be emphasized.

In order to stimulate interest, contests among the schools will be held. The school authorities plan to enforce more specific rules at the general buildings with regard to roller skating and bicycle riding in vicinity of the schools.

The Third division is made up of the following schools: Brightwood, Brightwood Park, Henry D. Cook, Gardner G. Hubbard, Andrew Johnson, James Monroe, Thomas M. Morgan, Park View, Petworth, Charles E. Powell, John W. Ross and Takoma.

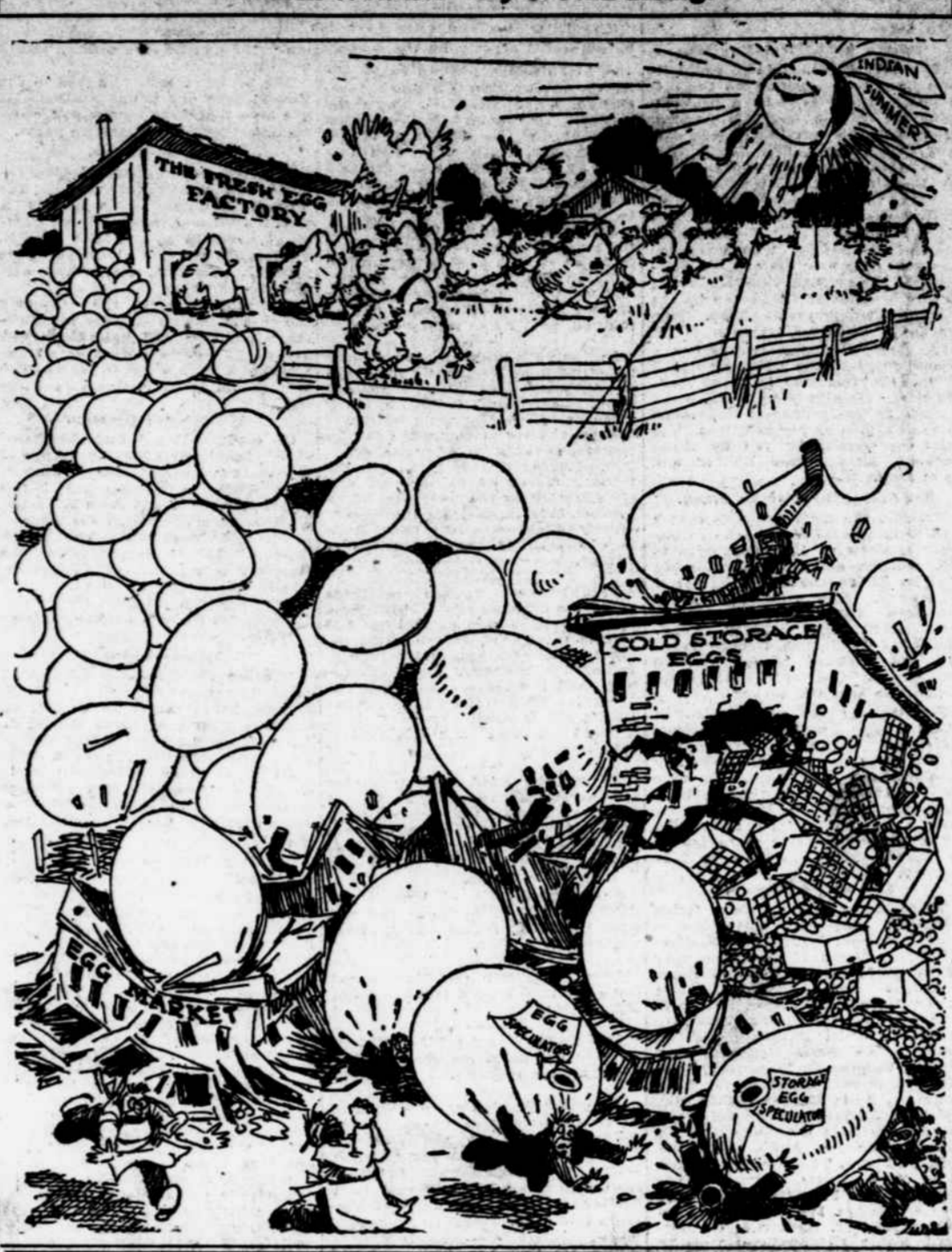
## HUGHES PROBES WRIT ON MEXICO

Secretary of State Hughes has requested Gov. Miller, of New York, to investigate circumstances surrounding the issuance, Wednesday, by a New York judge of a writ attaching all funds of the Mexican government in the State of New York.

This action follows the filing of a protest with the State Department by the Mexican Embassy against the court proceedings which were the outcome of a suit entered against the Mexican government by the Oliver Trading Company, an American concern. The case arose out of a \$1,250,000 contract for the Mexican Government to supply the Mexican army with arms and munitions.

Tilden, Tennis King, Improving

## How Many of Us Stop to Consider at What a Dreadful Cost of Anguish and Suffering We Are Enjoying the Protracted Warm Weather—By J. N. Darling.



## GARY ASKS FULL DEBTS PAYMENT AND NEW PARLEY Sees Prosperity Wave and Urges Another Peace Conference.

NEW YORK, Oct. 27.—Judge E. H. Gary, addressing the American Iron and Steel Institute at the Hotel Commodore, today decried the proposed cancellation of war debts owed by the nations of Europe as a violation of recognized rules of justice and propriety. He urged repeal of restrictive immigration laws and painted a glowing picture of American business conditions and the era of prosperity ahead.

"In spite of difficulties, which have confronted industry and agriculture since the war, manufacturing of steel are now producing, on the average, about 75 per cent of their estimated capacity," he said. "This is more than double the total capacity twenty years ago. We shall soon get back to a basis of business that will yield fair profits, if permitted to proceed without unreasonable interference."

**12-Hour Day Report Delayed.**

"As to general business conditions, great significance should be given publications concerning the enormous savings bank balances. These show conclusively a disposition to economize, whatever may be the reason. Economy and savings are fundamental to thrift and prosperity."

Judge Gary stated at the opening of the institute that no report was ready for a 12-hour day. He said he deeply regretted this deficiency, and urged all members interested to report their opinions to the committee in charge of this question. He said President Harding had urged them to make a report on this question and hoped that all members would co-operate.

**Asks Peace Parley.**

"It is to be hoped," he said, "there will soon be held in Washington another peace conference for the full frank discussion of all unsettled financial, commercial and industrial questions in which our people are interested, directly or indirectly, to be participated in by able, open-minded, well-disposed representatives from the different nations, such as those who appeared at the recent limitation of armament conference." At this meeting he said it would be decided, not how to abolish old laws of public policy, but how to fulfill them without irreparable injury to any one or the sacrifice of principle.

"We have not fully appraised the value of publicity," he added. "Its practical results and its necessities in all departments of economic life without discrimination or exception have not been given due consideration."

In the judgment of many of us the foreign nations can and are willing to pay their debts, some sooner than others, and most of them sooner than is now generally admitted."

**Demand Kaiser's Trial.**

PARIS, Oct. 27.—Demand for trial of former Kaiser Wilhelm, provided for in the treaty of Versailles, has been renewed here by Deputy Bonnet as a result of statements in the memoirs of the fallen Hohenzollern.

## Canadian Liquor Ship Released Judge Hand Rules American Vessels are Territorial Everywhere.

The Canadian schooner Emerald, recently seized off the coast of New Jersey by prohibition officers while liquor was being transported from the vessel to the shore, was ordered released today by the Treasury officials whose action was based on recommendations from Secretary of State Hughes.

Secretary Hughes held that the Emerald was not shown to have established contact through her own boats with the shore. This being the case, the vessel did not come within the territorial jurisdiction of the United States and therefore was not subject to the prohibition laws.

Following receipt from the State Department of Secretary Hughes' opinion on the international phase of the situation, Assistant Secretary of the Treasury Clifford Day sent the order for release to the Collector of Customs, New York.

**U. S. Ships Territorial.**

NEW YORK, Oct. 27.—Judge Learned Hand, in Federal District Court here, handed down a supplementary decision today in which he ruled American ships were territorial wherever they may be, and are subject to the Daugherty ruling against carrying liquor.

**HAZING VERDICT UP TO PRESIDENT**

Record in Trial of Midshipman Hawkins En Route to Washington.

ANNAPOLIS, Md., Oct. 27.—Decision in the case of Midshipman Stuart H. Hawkins, Springfield, Mass., senior classman recently tried before a naval court-martial on a charge of hazing Ralph B. Pearson, a "plebe" or fourth classman of Pell City, Ala., have been forwarded to Washington for final action by the President.

The court's findings were not disclosed here.

Rear Admiral Wilson has not completed his review of the papers in the case of Bruce Robinson, Chander, Ariz., first classman, who it was alleged at trial, hazed William H. McGregor, of Bremerton, Wash. Meanwhile nine other midshipmen of the senior class are confined to the "prison ship" as the result of hazing disclosures by a board of investigation. This board, it is stated, has suspended further investigation for the present.

**Ex-Service Men Observe Day.**

More than 100 sailors, Marines and soldiers were present at a "Navy Day" celebration at the service men's Y. M. C. A., 104 E street northwest, last night. Moving pictures furnished by the Navy Department, solos by Miss Cecile Sale accompanied by Miss Mary Daly; solos by Mrs. L. D. Gribbs, accompanied by Mrs. H. W. Clair, and the leadership of Robert Lawrence, comprised the program.

## DAUGHERTY READY TO PROSECUTE 425 WAR FRAUD CASES

Will Launch Court Action To Recover Millions Taken Illegally.

One of the most ambitious and comprehensive court actions in the history of the United States is about to be undertaken by the government in bringing to justice war profiteers.

Attorney General Daugherty is preparing to institute civil and criminal suits in approximately 425 cases, out of which he hopes to recover at least a part of the "fabulous" sums paid out as a result of fraudulent or improperly executed war contracts. Preliminary investigation of these cases already has been completed by the advisory council, appointed by Daugherty for this work, and he is convinced that court action—civil or criminal, or both—will be necessary if the government is to recover the millions of dollars exacted fraudulently from it under the stress of war.

"Legal civil action will be taken in every case in which it has been discovered that fraud, collusion or dishonesty was practiced," Daugherty stated. "The government must be made to pay back the money to those whom it would brand as crooks and profiteers, yet, every single individual, firm or corporation involved in the cases now in the possession of the department must satisfy the government's claims to the last penny."

The majority of test cases under prosecution of the Department of Justice experts originated in the War Department, about 250 in all. The navy has submitted about seventy cases, the Shipping Board fifty, while something over thirty cases came from miscellaneous Federal agencies which functioned during the war.

A number of suits, exclusive of the above, already have been instituted, involving in the aggregate many millions of dollars, while in a few instances settlements have been made without court action, the adjustments netting the government in the neighborhood of \$1,000,000 dollars.

**REFUSES BOOKS ON LIQUOR CASE**

NEW YORK, Oct. 27.—Prohibition Director Ralph Day faces possible contempt charges as a result of failure to submit evidence asked for in clearing up the disappearance of 5,100 cases of liquor from a bonded warehouse. Day must appear Monday to tell why he refused to show the books of R. A. Day and Company, a dry goods firm.

Judge Foster received a secret communication from the grand jury dealing with two officials on whom action should be taken before their resignation becomes effective November 1. It was not said whether these two officials are Day and John A. Parsons, both of whom handed in resignations ten days ago.

It was revealed that James A. Pershing, nephew of Gen. Pershing, and former Federal dry agent refused to testify before the grand jury when denied immunity.

## WOMAN'S STORY ENDS MYSTERY IN DUAL MURDER

New Jersey Prosecutor Says Time Has Arrived To Take Action.

## HOLDS MRS. GIBSON RELIABLE WITNESS

Saw Sobbing Woman at Second Visit to Scene Of Murder.

NEW BRUNSWICK, N. J., Oct. 27.—The Hall-Mills murder mystery has been solved. Soon the world will know how the rector of the Church of St. John the Evangelist and his choir singer met death on the night of September 14 beneath a scrubby crabapple tree on the Phillips farm on the outskirts of the city, just over the Somerset County line.

Judge Wilbur A. Mott, special assistant attorney general, declared tonight that the case "is a mystery no longer."

Mott clearly indicated that he will wait a short time to present evidence to the Somerset County grand jury on which he will ask one or more indictments.

**Tells of Sobbing Woman.**

It became known tonight that Mrs. Jane Gibson, who has already told how she witnessed the killing late on the night of September 14, made a second visit to the scene of the murder at 1 o'clock on the morning of September 15 and there saw a sobbing woman leaning over the forms of the murdered minister and his singer.

Mrs. Gibson identified to officials a woman who was the same she had seen earlier on the fatal night in the light of an automobile in Delaware's lane.

Mrs. Gibson identified to officials Mrs. Frances Stevens Hall as the woman she saw twice at the Phillips farm on the night of the murder.

**Brought Her Ammunition.**

It was further disclosed that authorities have evidence to the effect that Hall was killed first; that Mrs. Mills was killed after a battle with her assailant, who chased her when she attempted to flee and dragged her back to the crab apple tree, where the minister had been killed, and there shot her three times, and cut her throat.

Judge Mott and his chief investigator, Detective James Mason, as the case, the vessel did not come within the territorial jurisdiction of the United States and therefore was not subject to the prohibition laws.

For some reason which is not explained Judge Mott will not order an immediate arrest, though he has stated that the time has arrived to take some definite action in the case.

**May Await Grand Jury Action.**

It is believed that Mott favors the plan to delay the arrest or arrests until after the evidence has been presented to the county inquisitorial body.

Judge Mott was interviewed today, as follows:

Q. This a complex mystery, isn't it?

A. It is complex, but it is a mystery no longer.

Q. Do you still believe in the credibility of Mrs. Gibson's statement?

A. I do.

Q. Have you talked with anyone who corroborates her story?

A. Most certainly. That was the first thing to do.

Q. Have they corroborated it?

A. Oh, sure.

Q. Who are they?

A. I don't care to say.

Q. Admits it is Time to Act.

Q. Do you consider it time to make an arrest?

A. It is time to act.

Q. Why don't you act?

A. It's a matter of judgment.

## Four Big Leaders in Italy Gather for Political Fight

Fascisti, Strong Enough to Seize Control of Government in Cabinet Crisis, May Start Revolt.

ROME, Oct. 27.—Leading actors in the Italian political crisis are gathering here for a dramatic and momentous struggle, probably to determine the immediate future of Italy.

Premier Facta and his ministry have resigned, leaving the nation, which has been buffeted by hostile forces for months, floundering leaderless in a dangerous crisis.

Musolini, chief of the fascisti, was summoned to Rome by Facta. Much depends on whether Musolini will be content with limited representation in the new cabinet. Should he refuse to co-operate, or make demands regarded as excessive, the situation would be extremely grave.

**Prepared to Compromise.**

Almost to the moment when Facta handed over his resignation he had been making an attempt to save himself by bringing the fascisti, who have been his most bitter enemies, into the government. He had asked Musolini to come to the capital for a conference, with the expectation of offering him certain places in the ministry.

But this plan was interrupted by developments in the cabinet meeting late today. For immediately upon the meeting, Facta went to meet the king and handed in the ministry's collective resignation.

Former Premier Giolitti, Italy's champion of the moderate right, has his trip followed immediately upon a visit from former Premier Orlando. Whether the two events have any connection cannot be learned.

Orlando will say nothing other than he called on Giolitti because Facta wanted to exchange views on the parliamentary situation. It may mean that Giolitti will attempt to form a ministry. Again it may mean something entirely different.

**CLARA PHILLIPS LOSES POISE AS CHUM RECOUNTS SLAYING**

Challenges Companion as She Tells of Hammering Mrs. Meadows to Death.

LOS ANGELES, Cal., Oct. 27.—Clara Phillips, charged with hammering Mrs. Alberta Meadows to death, lost her stoic pose today for the first time.

Her chum of chorus girl days, Mrs. Peggy Caffee, was on the stand, telling the story by which the State hopes to hang the defendant.

She had described a shopping tour in the downtown district the day before the murder, had named the articles purchased and had included among them a hammer.

At mention of the hammer the defendant rose and hoarsely interrupted: "Tell the truth, Peggy."

Peggy looked at Clara and shuddered. She drew back, turned her face away. There was terror in her voice as she answered Clara: "Clara"

Phillips purchased the hammer herself."

Peggy said that after the murder, Clara made her wife aware of the blood that covered Clara's face.

"She made me do it. She gave me her handkerchief, and I did it."

"Clara's hands were bloody. She rolled up her gloves and dropped them into her purse. She made me give her my gloves—made me put them on her. She kept one hand on the wheel while I put the glove on the other."

Peggy's recital of the murder itself—simple, horrible, effective.

"Clara got out first, and then Alberta. I got out last. Clara said, 'My husband purchased you this car and those tires.' Alberta denied it. Clara said, 'He did.' She hit Alberta with the hammer, on the right side of the forehead. Alberta ran screaming. I ran, crying for help. Then I heard voices, and I started back. Clara and Alberta were coming toward me, arm in arm. As they got to the auto, Clara said, 'He bought you a wrist watch, too.' Alberta said she bought it herself. Clara hit her again with the hammer."

"I stepped forward to take Clara away, and Clara swung on me, and said, 'Damn you, I'll kill you, too.'"

"I ran down the hall, screaming. I turned and saw Clara kneeling over Alberta's body. Her arm rose and fell. The hammer rose and fell. I guess I fainted."

**MAJ. GEN. HARBORD RIDES MOUNT TO WIN IN HORSE SHOW**

Display of Horsemanship Thrills 5,000 Oat Army Exhibition.

Marked by a display of expert horsemanship, officers and enlisted men of the army thrilled a crowd of more than 5,000 persons who gathered to witness the District of Washington Horse Show, on the north slope of the Mount Vernon grounds, yesterday.

The event was the most outstanding attraction offered by the army during the fall season.

While the show was replete with many features, the riding of Maj. Gen. Harbord and Maj. Gen. Harbord featured, as it was the first time in the history of Washington horse shows that two general officers of the army rode their own mounts.

In the class of saddle horses, President Harding's horse, Harbel, ridden by Lieut. C. C. Jadin, was forced to bow to defeat and was unplaced in the event. Gaylack, owned by Maj. Gen. Harbord, was awarded first honor.

Several foreign army officers assisted in the judging. More than a dozen cups, several bridles and many ribbons were awarded the winners.

The winners were: Class 1, artillery horses in hand contest, won by Battery B, Second Field Artillery; class 2, polo horses; class 3, polo horses; class 4, polo horses; class 5, polo horses; class 6, polo horses; class 7, polo horses; class 8, polo horses; class 9, polo horses; class 10, polo horses; class 11, polo horses; class 12, polo horses; class 13, polo horses; class 14, polo horses; class 15, polo horses; class 16, polo horses; class 17, polo horses; class 18, polo horses; class 19, polo horses; class 20, polo horses; class 21, polo horses; class 22, polo horses; class 23, polo horses; class 24, polo horses; class 25, polo horses; class 26, polo horses; class 27, polo horses; class 28, polo horses; class 29, polo horses; class 30, polo horses; class 31, polo horses; class 32, polo horses; class 33, polo horses; class 34, polo horses; class 35, polo horses; class 36, polo horses; class 37, polo horses; class 38, polo horses; class 39, polo horses; class 40, polo horses; class 41, polo horses; 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